

“NORTH STONINGTON WORKS!”
Employer Hiring Bonus Grant Program
Guidelines

The “North Stonington Works” program was established to provide limited one-time direct financial hiring bonus to eligible North Stonington small businesses that employ fifty or fewer employees in which employee recruitment has been affected the COVID-19 pandemic. The Program is funded through monies from the United States American Rescue Plan Act and administered by the Town of North Stonington’s Economic Development Commission in cooperation with Southeastern CT Enterprise Region (seCTer). The Program is intended to help North Stonington businesses recruit and compete for employees needed to help maintain and grow their businesses. This hiring bonus is designated to be given to the employee after 8 weeks of employment.

Eligible Bonuses:

New Full Time Employee- \$500 Hiring bonus

New Part Time Employee-\$250 Hiring bonus

Business will also receive \$50/\$25 stipend per eligible employee to cover related hiring expenses

Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible for this program, applicants must be a for-profit business enterprise that is physically located within the Town of North Stonington and employ fifty or fewer employees. The business must be a registered business with an EIN#. The business must apply before the hiring of the employee. In order to qualify for the full-time hiring bonus the employee must work a minimum of 35 hours per week for 8 weeks. To qualify for the part time hiring bonus the employee must work a minimum of 12 hours per week for 8 weeks. The employer must also furnish a preprogram employee list from accounting program or payroll company, and an employee list at the end of eight weeks. To receive the bonus monies the employer must furnish the first paystub for the employee and the 8-week paystub. We will also request a copy of the paystub to show the benefit paid out to the employee. Benefit will be limited to 3 new hires per participating business. Program will run until 12/31/2022 or until funds are exhausted.

Application Process:

Applications must be completed and submitted to Nostoworks@northstoningtonct.gov. Applicants should note that all information submitted in connection with this application is subject to verification by Southeastern CT Enterprise Region (seCTer). Non- disclosure or the making of false or misleading statements will result in disqualification, forfeiture of benefits and/or criminal prosecution under the laws of this State.